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Rome, Nov. 21. *N. S.*

THE Pope since his first Indisposition was thought to be on the mending hand, but on the 18th Instant his Illness so far encreased, that 'twas not believed he could have lived till next day, and he has ever since continued in so weak a condition, that his Recovery is altogether despaired of. This gives occasion to frequent Meetings of the Cardinals and Foreign Ministers, in order to form their Cabals against the next Conclave, and the Cardinals *Casanatta*, *Acciaioli*, *Durazzo*, *Norris*, *Marescotti*, *Barberini*, *Spinola* Senior, *Morigia*, *Bonvisi*, and *Castaguti*, are already talked of as the most likely to be in Nomination, and the last is generally supposed to have the best Interest in the College of Cardinals. The Duke *d'Uceda*, Ambassador from *Spain*, is daily expected here from *Madrid*. It's said, Signior *Gualtieri* is appointed to go in the Quality of Nuncio to the Court of *France* in the room of Signior *Delfino*, who being made a Cardinal at the last Promotion, is ordered forthwith to return home; And that Signior *Archinto*, Nuncio at *Madrid*, and newly made a Cardinal, being likewise upon his return hither, Signior *Aquaviva* is named to succeed him. The Office of Legate of *Avignon* being vacant, there are many Pretenders to it, among whom Signior *Zandedari* is thought to stand fairest.

Venice, Nov. 27. Signior *Michieli*, whom the Senate had appointed to be their Baylo or Ambassador in Ordinary at the Port, being lately dead, they have resolved that Signior *Soranzo*, their Ambassador Extraordinary to the Grand Signior, after he has performed his Commission as such, shall continue to reside there with the Character of Baylo. The number of Travellers that pass through this City coming from divers Parts to be present at the Jubilee, continues to be very great. Our Letters from *Constantinople* give an Account, that Monsieur *Chateauneuf*, who resided there as Ambassador from *France*, had left that Place in order to return home; And that Monsieur *Feriol*, who succeeds him in that Employment, has had Audience of the Grand Visier, and would shortly have a Publick Audience of the Grand Signior. The Envoy of *Muscovy* had Audience of the Grand Signior, and proposed the continuing of the Truce between the Czar his Master and the Ottoman Empire, upon which the Divan was ordered to meet to consider of this Proposal, and Orders were sent to the Captain-Bassa *Mezzomorto*, who was then at Sea with part of the *Turkish* Fleet, to return home with all possible diligence to assist at the Conferences to be held on this occasion.

Vienna, Nov. 28. The *Venetian* Ambassador received an Express this week from *Venice*, with new Instructions from the Senate relating to the Differences between the Emperor and that State, touching the Town of *Otroazo*, which the Imperialists possessed themselves of the last Summer, and some other Places on the Borders of *Croatia*; and he has since been in Conference with the Emperor's Ministers in order to accommodate this matter, and to settle the Limits of the Imperial and *Venetian* Dominions in those Parts. It's said the Pope's Nuncio who was made a Cardinal at the last Promotion, intends very speeedily to return to *Rome*. Count *Lemberg*, Ambassador from the Emperor to the Pope, is ordered to repair to *Rome* with all expedition, that he may be there at the forming of the Conclave, in case the Pope dies, who according to our last Advices from thence, continues dangerously ill. The Bishop of *Passau*, whom the Emperor has appointed to be his first Commissioner at the Imperial Diet, is preparing for his Journey to *Ratisbonne*. An Express arrived here three days ago from the Court of *Spain*, with the Order of the *Golden-Fleece* for Count *Robert* of *Staremberg*, which was delivered to him by the Emperor himself with the usual Ceremonies. Our Letters from *Hungary* give an Account, that the Sieur *Lackowitz* whom Count *Otting* sent from *Buckowar* to the Frontiers, to enquire how far the *Turkish* Ambassador was advanced in his Journey thither, as also into the Truth of a Report, that there was a Contagious Distemper at *Belgrade*, and at several Places on the Road from thence to *Constantinople*, was returned, and had brought an Account, that the *Turkish* Ambassador was come beyond *Nissa*, and that the said Report was absolutely false; whereupon Count *Otting* set out from *Buckowar*, and proceeded in his Journey as far as *Futach*, in order to arrive at *Peterwaradin* at the same time as the *Turkish* Ambassador comes to *Belgrade*. The Place where the two Ambassadors are to meet is agreed on, as are likewise the Ceremonies to be used on this occasion. Count *Guido* of *Staremberg*, who is to receive the Grand Signior's Ambassador, and to conduct him and defray the Charges of his Journey hither, is at present at *Peterwaradin*; Upon his coming to that Place, he sent a Gentleman to the Governor of *Belgrade* to give notice of his Arrival, and that Count *Otting* was not far behind, upon which the Governor sent an Officer to Compliment him.

Franefort, Dec. 6. The Count of *Boincmbourg*, Envoy from the Emperour, has left this Place, in order to go to *Bamberg* and *Wurtzbourg* to Treat with the Elector of *Mentz* and the Bishop of *Wurtzbourg*, about a quantity of Provisions to be furnished for the Service of the Imperial Forces in Garrison at *Philipsbourg* and the Fort of *Keihl*. The young Prince of *Radzivil* passed lately from this Place going from *Poland* to *Holland*, and intends in his way thither to call at the Courts of the Elector of *Triers* and the Elector Palatine. The Elector Palatine's Forces continue to work with all possible diligence in repairing *Heydelberg*. The Fortifications of *Keihl*, which were some time ago much damaged by the overflowing of the